

SCOTTISH FINAL.

Archie Glenn (Aberdeen) tossed for ends with David Lapsley (St. Mirren) and won. So the Scottish Cup Final began by St. Mirren kicking off. The Saints are in striped shirts. 100,000 crowded Hampden Park, hoping for a classic exhibition to decide possession of the coveted trophy. Martin cleared the Aberdeen goal from a first minute attack.

St. Mirren outside-right Jim Rodger eluded Hogg and went through on his own, and again Martin was called on to save.

Jack Hather took the ball to the St. Mirren end. Danger was averted by a header, but only for a second or two. Walker in goal, fortunately for the Saints, got the ball away but back it came. Norman Davidson tried a header, and when it went outside, St. Mirren breathed again, and attacked themselves. Martin cleared. It looked like being a goalless first half. Only two minutes before the interval, Saints' outside-left Alistair Miller centred. Inside-right Tommy Bryceland headed a goal.

Leading by one goal the Saints began the second half confidently and won a corner. The ball came over beautifully, but Martin cleared. But again the Saint Mirren attackers bore down on the Dons' goal. There was no doubt the Saints were the better team at this stage. Twenty minutes after the resumption St. Mirren scored again. Outside left Miller just had to tap it into the net.

Corner for Aberdeen. Two goals down the Dons had to score quickly to be back in the game. However, no luck, this time.

On the attack again, St. Mirren weren't relying on their two goal lead; they were bent on increasing it. Lucky escape here for Aberdeen. But no for long. Saints' centre forward Gerry Baker shot goal number three.

Hugh Baird got a consolation goal for Aberdeen almost as the final whistle blew.

Veteran David Lapsley received the cup from Mr. John Park, president of the Scottish F.A. Congratulations to Lapsley and gallant St. Mirren.